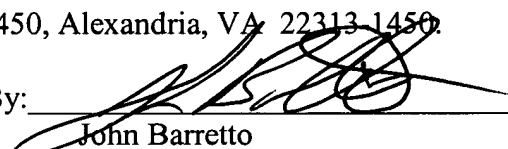




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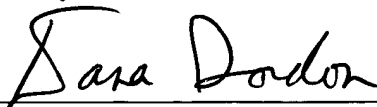
Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.1.36(a), Applicants hereby request a two-month extension of time for filing a Response to the final Office Action, issued June 4, 2004, in the above-identified application.

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